

Re: NARS Tape Survey

Vince,

In talking with Joe Bradt at NARS he said they would accept anything we want to give them about our mag tapes.

They are not interested in xx tapes with payroll, personnel, and similar programs. Also records that are ordinarily covered by the general schedules should not be included.

They would like specific program records that they can catalog and index for research and historical purposes. Also NARS is hoping that the agencies would turn the tapes over to Archives when they are ready to release them. So any we feel free to give them we said will be properly categorized, classified, and indexed with our permission. It will also mean if it appears in an index or catalog we would be getting calls from researchers or others to see the info.

For ourselves, we might supplement our schedules or round out our knowledge of the records being created. Machine listings from these computer centers would provide us with the titles of files and offices for whom they are being done. Aside to adding them to our statistics it's possible they should be added to records control schedules. In C. J. Iggs' memo page 2 item 12 - he indicates he needs authorization to discard the tapes.

If [] or others feel we cannot give NARS a list of some programs that can be used in a govt wide index then we should at least ~~let~~ let them know why we won't contribute.

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